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Attorney Docket No.: 60143-300603

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**UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL (37 CFR. § 1.53(b))**  
(Continuation, Divisional or Continuation-in-part application)

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Sir: This is a request for filing a patent application under 37 CFR. § 1.53(b) in the name of inventors:

**Kevin L. Hunter**

For: A SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR GENERATING AN ANIMATABLE CHARACTER

This application is a ☒ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part  
of prior Application No.: 09/173,583, filed October 15, 1998, from which priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120 is  
claimed.

Application Elements:

- ☒ 25 Pages of Specification, Claims and Abstract
- ☒ 10 Sheets of Formal Drawings
- ☐ 2 Declaration and Power of Attorney
  - ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)
  - ☒ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d) for a continuation or divisional).  
The entire disclosure of the prior application from which a copy of the declaration is  
herein supplied is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying  
application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
  - ☐ Deletion of inventors Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s)  
named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b). -

Accompanying Application Parts:

- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard  
☐ Small Entity Statement(s) ☐ Statement filed in prior application. Status still proper and desired.  
☒ Other: NO FEES ARE ENCLOSED.

Amendments

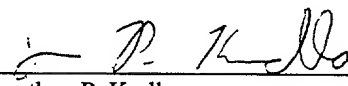
- ☒ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: "This is a  
☒ Continuation ☐ Continuation-in-part ☐ Divisional  
application of copending prior  
☒ Application No. 09/173,583, filed on October 15, 1998.  
☐ International Application \_\_\_\_\_ filed on \_\_\_\_\_ which  
designated the United States,  
the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference."
- ☐ Cancel in this application original claims \_\_\_\_\_ of the prior application  
before calculating the filing fee. (*At least one original independent claim must be retained.*)
- ☐ The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees beyond the amount enclosed which may be  
required, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. ( ).

General Authorization for Petition for Extension of Time (37 CFR §1.136)

- ☒ Applicants hereby make and generally authorize any Petitions for Extensions of Time as may be  
needed for any subsequent filings. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any extension fees under  
37 CFR §1.17 as may be needed to Deposit Account No. 02-3964 (Order No. 60143-300603).
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